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system;

favorites services providing user interfaces and management functions for each one of the favorite channel lists; and

electronic program guide content services [for determining] to determine what is programmed on the logical channel and [for calling] to call channel map services to determine the corresponding physical channel and physical device.

- (Canceled) 13.
- (Canceled) 14.
- 15. (Canceled)
- 16. (Canceled)
- (Canceled) 17.
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19. (Once Amended) A method of using a computerized system to dynamically [managing] manage favorite channel lists relating to a user specified theme, the method comprising [the steps of]:

identifying one or more channels showing an event of a user specified theme, wherein the step of identifying is achieved by matching one or more event themes from an electronic program guide (EPG) content database to the user-specified theme, and

including each one of the channels in a favorite channel list.

(Once Amended) A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions 25. stored thereon for execution on a computer, the computer executable instructions comprising [the steps of]:

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identifying one or more channels showing an event of a user specified theme, wherein [the step of] identifying is achieved by matching one or more event themes from an electronic program guide (EPG) content database to the user-specified theme, and

including each one of the channels in a favorite channel list.

(Once Amended) The computer readable medium of claim 25, wherein [the step of] 26. identifying is achieved by matching one or more event sub-themes from an EPG content database to the user-specified theme.

(Once Amended) The computer readable medium of claim 25, wherein [the step of] 27. identifying is achieved by matching one or more generic event sub-themes from an EPG content database to the user-specified theme.

(Once Amended) The computer readable medium of claim 25, wherein [the step of] 29. identifying is achieved by matching one or more words in a event description from the EPG content database to the user-specified theme.